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2018 ST. MATTHEW ISLAND BLUE KING CRAB SURVEY – SEEK CRAB-POT VESSEL FOR CHARTER

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game plans to conduct blue king crab research in the St. Matthew Island Section (Bering Sea Area 'Q') during August 2018, and will be chartering a large commercial crab-pot vessel. The St. Matthew Island blue king crab survey charter will be for 25 days with a start date of approximately August 3; the actual starting date is negotiable between July 20 and Aug 7, 2018. The charter requires a vessel 110 feet or greater in overall length, and a US Coast Guard licensed captain. The charter will begin and end in Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

The Invitation-to-Bid (ITB 180000038: VESSEL CHARTER - St. Matthew Island Section [Area 'Q' of the Bering Sea], Alaska, Blue King Crab Survey) is currently available online through Vendor Self Service (VSS) for the State of Alaska at <https://iris-vss.alaska.gov/webapp/PRDVSS1X1/AltSelfService>. Click on "Public Access" on the left side of the page to reach the "Solicitations" tab.

Bids must be received before 2 P.M. Alaska Standard Time on March 7, 2018.

To receive a copy of the Invitation-to-Bid directly or if questions about the bidding process, please email:

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